Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

The motion was put and carried.

The Cochin Trade Disputes Act (Amendment) Bill.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): I beg leave to introduce the Cochin Trade Disputes Act (Amendment) Bill and move that the Bill be read in Council.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): I second it.

The motion was put and carried.

Secretary to the Council: The Title of the Bill is "The Cochin Trade Disputes Act (Amendment) Bill".

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): I beg to move to waive S. O. 32 and the Bill taken into consideration.

Mr. President: S. O. 32 is suspended.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): The object of this Bill is to bring our Trade Disputes Act into line with that of British India. I think it is a measure in the right direction enabling us in many cases to interfere and settle disputes. I don't think there is any provision here which affects adversely and I hope the House will not have any objection in accepting this Bill.

The motion was put and carried.

The question that clauses 2 to 11 shall form part of the Bill was put and carried.

Clause 1 were put and carried.

The Title and Preamble of the Bill was put and carried.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): I move that the Bill be taken up tomorrow and passed finally.

The motion was put and carried.

The Cochin Kuries Act (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja (*Advocate-General*): I move that the Cochin Kuries Act (Amendment) Bill be read in Council.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): I second it.

The motion was put and carried.

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Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is "The Cochin Kuries Act (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon (*Ernakulam*): With your leave, Sir, I beg to move that this Bill be referred to a Select Committee as there are certain principles involved in the amendment to section 4 which forms the subject-matter of this Bill. There are two other Bills also tabled by me. So far as these amendments to the Kuries Act are concerned, all of them can be considered together. So I beg to move that the amendments to the Kuries Act be referred to a Select Committee consisting of the Advocate General, Messrs. P. Govinda Menon, V. J. Mathai, A. V. Moothedan, K. R. Viswambharan, C. R. Iyyunni and myself. If I am to explain the position further, this being an important matter, which affects the Kuries Act, I think it is but proper that all these amendments be considered by a select committee and a full report from them obtained; so that the hon'ble members may be able to better understand and appreciate the implications involved in these amendments.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): I may inform the hon'ble member that so far as the other two amendments are concerned they have absolutely no connection with this amendment.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon (*Ernakulam*): If the amendment to section 50 is not accepted, there will be prejudice. The present amendment will vitally affect the relationship between principal and agent. By this amendment to section 4, you are divesting the principals of the contention that as between them and their agents, the agent is estopped from saying that he need not pay back the money to the principal, on the ground that it relates to an illegal transaction. In any case it is a point which has to be considered in detail and there is no hurry with regard to this matter.

Mr. K. Ayyappan (*Ezhuvas-Kanayannur*): There is another difficulty here. If the Committee is not allowed to amalgamate the other amendments it cannot go beyond the scope of this Bill.

Mr. President: That is not a correct procedure. When a particular Bill is referred to a Select Committee, it is confined to the scope of that Bill.

Mr. K. Ayyappan (*Ezhuvas-Kanayannur*): There are two other Bills also.

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Mr. President: Later on, if those Bills are introduced, the proper procedure is to refer those Bills also to the same Committee.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon (*Ernakulam*): The Bill may be referred to a Select Committee consisting of the Advocate-General, Messrs. P. Govinda Menon, A. V. Moothedan, K. R. Viswambharan, V. J. Mathai, C. R. Iyyunny and myself.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): The name of Mr. M. K. Devassy also may be included.

Mr. President: Yes.

The motion was put and carried.

Mr. President: The Advocate-General will be the Chairman of the Committee and the Committee is to report within two months.

The Cochin State Aid to Industries Act (Amendment) Bill.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): I beg to move the introduction of the Cochin State Aid to Industries Act (Amendment) Bill.

Mr K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): I second it.

The motion was put and carried.

Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is 'The Cochin State Aid to Industries Act (Amendment) Bill.'

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): I move that the Bill be taken into consideration after suspending the Standing Order.

Mr. President: The Standing Order is suspended.

The motion was put and carried.

Clauses 2 to 8 were put and carried.

Clause 1 was put and carried.

Title and Preamble were put and carried.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): I move that this Bill be taken up and passed tomorrow.

The motion was put and carried.

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